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Inventor: **Cheng-Chih Chien, Bing-Fei Wu, Jou-Wei Fu, Lung-Yi Kuo,
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Title: **Hot-Swap Device Applicable to ATA Interface**

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1. **Nine (9)** sheets of specification, claims, and abstract.
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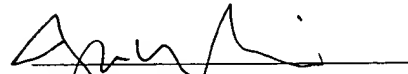
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